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Assistant Secretary Richard Holbrooke
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Dear Mr. Holbrooke:

It is my understanding that the State Department sent an observer to the trial of Mr. Kim Dae Jung in South Korea. It is also my understanding that Mr. Jeffrey Smith's report has been completed, but has not been made public.

I would be very interested in seeing a copy of the report, as I am particularly interested in South Korean human rights issues. If the report is not available, perhaps someone from your bureau could brief me or my staff assistant on the matter.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Tom Harkin
Member of Congress

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